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## STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP OF PRIOR ART CITATION AND INVENTION TO DISQUALIFY PRIOR ART UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(c)

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above identified application and the cited prior art, namely U.S. Patent #6,479,144 to Petrea et al., were, at the time the invention of this application was made, subject to an obligation of assignment to the same entity, Milliken & Company. Such an assignment to Milliken & Company has been made by the inventors of both the above-identified application, as well as the '144 patent to Petrea et al. (as evidenced by the listing of Milliken & Company as Assignee within said patent).

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